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1. Ten unidentified sea police vessels were in Peenemuende harbor at 2 p.m. on 24 April 1953. Auxiliary [redacted] put into harbor and anchored there in the afternoon on 24 April. All vessels, [redacted] remained at their berths on 25 and 26 April to clean ship. At 4 p.m. on 27 April, they were inspected by Vice-Admiral 25X1C Waldemar Verner and Deputy Premier Heinrich Rau while [redacted] put into, and was berthed in, the harbor. Four KS boats left port in bad weather and with poor 25X1C visibility at 8:30 a.m. on 29 April 1953. On 1 May, 15 vessels including [redacted]

2. On 1 May, the entire sea police force of 500 officers and ratings marched through Peenemünde, headed by a 20-man band and followed by 6 groups each of 20 officers and WCOs and 60 police.² 25X

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25X1A Comment. [REDACTED] is a drifter which was converted into a tanker. [REDACTED] is a former German motor minesweeper which, along with five other boats [REDACTED] 25X1C [REDACTED] had been handed over to the sea police by the Soviets. Another report stated that these boats were beyond repair and were scheduled to be scrapped. They were apparently not yet put out of commission. [REDACTED] is the first HABICHT - type vessel completed by the Volkswerft in Stralsund. 25X1C

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25X1A 2. [REDACTED] Comment. The unit observed in Peenemuende on 1 May was the coastal minesweeping and coast-guard division stationed in Peenemuende.

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